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TO : Director, Office of Patent Publication
FROM : Office of the Deputy Commissioner
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SUBJECT : Withdrawal from Issue of **Application No. 09/494,253**

Applicant(s) : Osamu Yamada et al
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The above-identified application has been assigned Patent No. 6,897,970 and an issue date of May 24, 2005.

It is hereby directed that this application be withdrawn from issue at the request of the applicant. Do not refund the issue fee.

The following erratum should be published in the Official Gazette if the above-identified application is published in the OG of May 24, 2005:

"All reference to Patent No. 6,897,970 to Osamu Yamada et al of Japan for IMAGE FORMATION APPARATUS LIMITING PRINT OPERATION ACCORDING TO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION EMBEDDED IN INPUT IMAGE DATA appearing in the Official Gazette of May 24, 2005 should be deleted since no patent was granted."


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